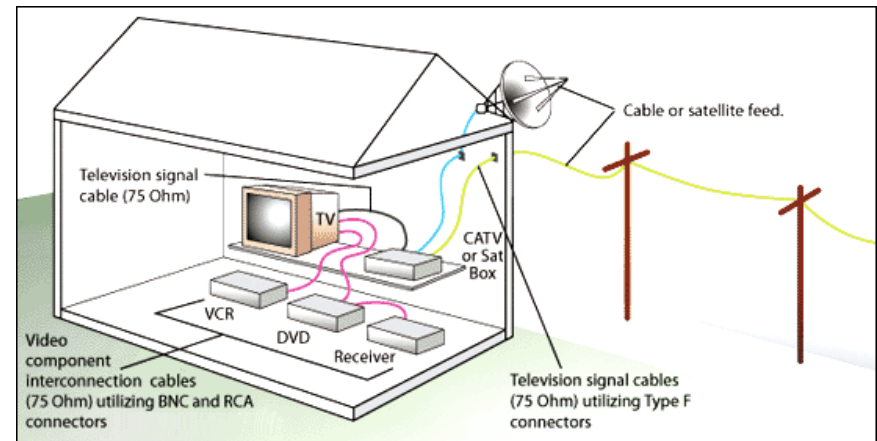




Transmission Line Basics

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Outlines

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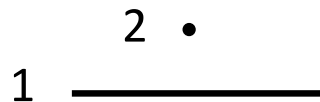


3.1 Transmission Lines

Travelling waves on transmission lines has Transverse ElectroMagnetic (TEM) field structure between conductors.

- Cross section shape doesn't change.
- electrical length of the line is long compared with wavelength.
- Cross sectional dimensions are small compared to wavelength.

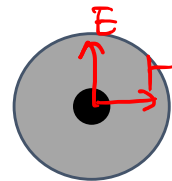
Example of structures (cross sections) that can support TEM fields given below.



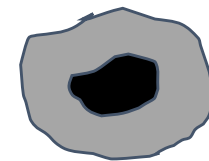
Wire above
conducting plane



Parallel
conductors

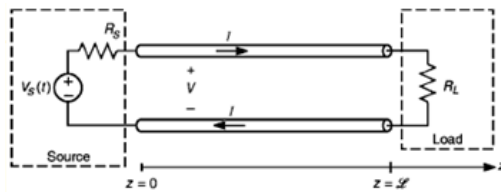


Coaxial cable

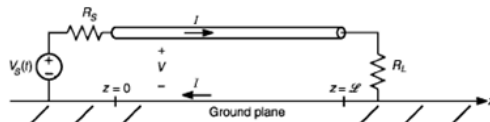


A generic coaxial
structure

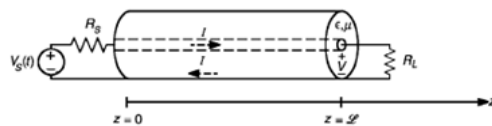
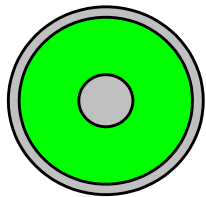
Transmission Lines in Planar structure



(a) Two wires

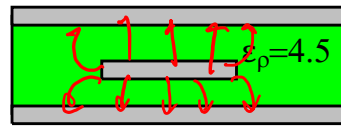


(b) One wire above an infinite ground plane

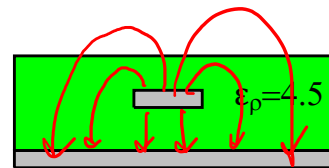


(c) Coaxial cable

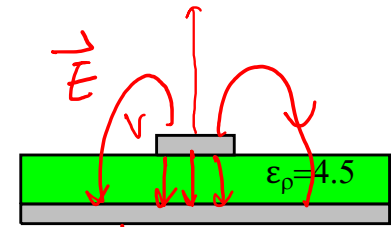
Typical wire-type transmission lines



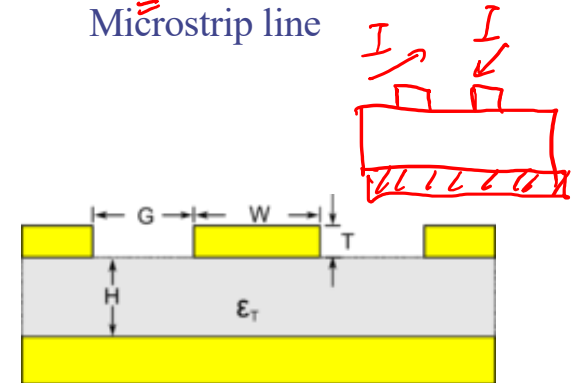
Stripline



Embedded Microstrip line



Microstrip line



Coplanar

Typical printed circuit board (PCB) structures

3.2 Key Parameters for Transmission Lines

1. Relation of V/I :
2. Velocity of Signal:
3. Attenuation:

Characteristic Impedance

$Z_0 \rightarrow$ **Reflection**

$$\Gamma = \frac{Z_L - Z_0}{Z_L + Z_0}$$

Effective dielectric constant

$\epsilon_r \rightarrow$ **Time delay**

$$T_D = \frac{L}{v_p}$$

Conductor loss

$\alpha_c \rightarrow$ **Loss**

Dielectric loss

$$\epsilon_r = \epsilon'_r - j\epsilon''_r$$

material σ, ϵ, μ .
cable R .

Lossless case

Fr4.

$\tan \delta = 0.002$.
Fr4.

air

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Speed } c_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \mu_0}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{lc}} \\ \text{Characteristic impedance } Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{l}{c}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} \end{array} \right.$$

per unit length

dielectric $\Rightarrow$ Speed $v_p = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r \mu_r}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{lc}}$

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu \epsilon}}$

Time delay in various mediums

$$T_d = \frac{\mathcal{L}}{v_p}$$

$\xrightarrow{\text{Total Length}}$
 $\xrightarrow{\text{velocity of propagation}}$

1. Free space

$$v_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}} = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

Td per meter: 3.3ns / m

2. PCB (FR-4)

$$v_p = \frac{v_0}{\sqrt{\mu_r \epsilon_r}} = \frac{v_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \approx 1.38 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\epsilon_r = 4.7$$

Td per meter: 7.2ns / m

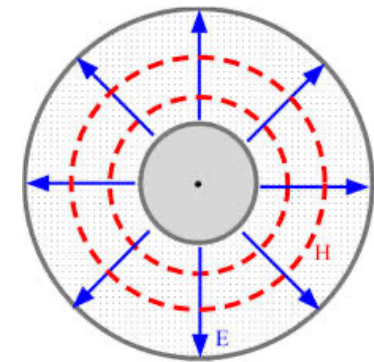
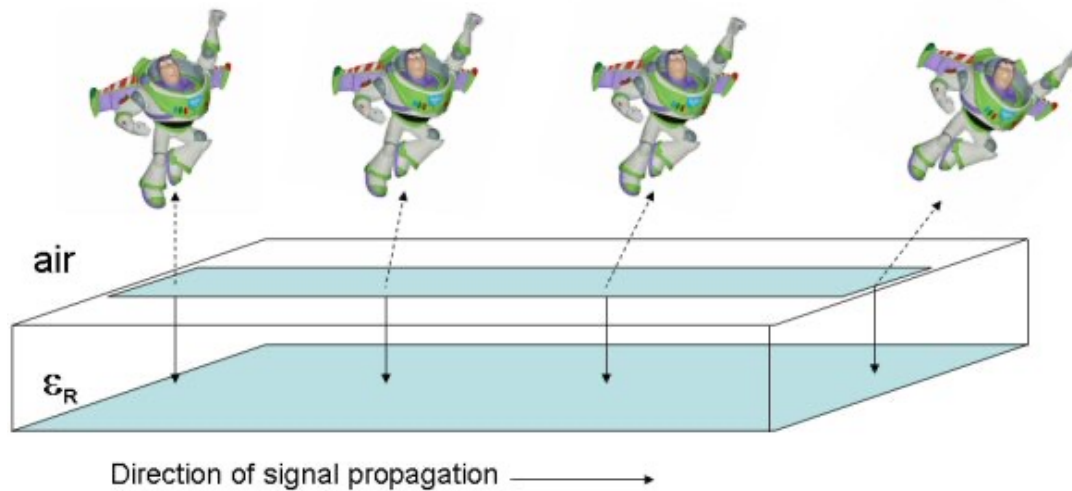
3. Microstrip Line

$$v \approx \frac{v_0}{\sqrt{\mu_r \epsilon_r}} = \frac{v_0}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \approx 1.78 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

Td per meter: 5.6ns / m

$$\epsilon_r \approx (1 + 4.7) / 2 = 2.85$$

3.3 Transmission Line Equations

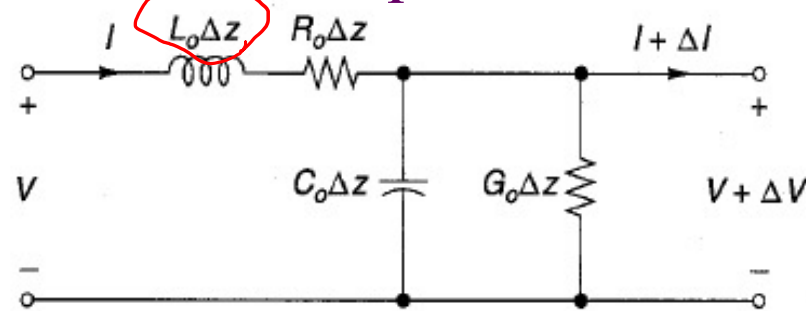


TEM in coaxial cable

Quasi-TEM in microstrip

How to calculate ϵ_{eff} ?

Transmission Line Equations



R_0 = resistance per unit length (Ohm/ cm)

G_0 = conductance per unit length (S/ cm)

L_0 = inductance per unit length (H / cm)

C_0 = capacitance per unit length (F/ cm)

$$\text{KVL : } \frac{dV}{dz} = -(R_0 + j\omega L_0)I$$



$$\text{KCL : } \frac{dI}{dz} = -(G_0 + j\omega C_0)V$$

v. I phasors.

Telegrapher's equations

Solve 2nd order D.E. for
V and I

Transmission Line Equations

In Lossless TL $R = 0, G = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} &= -L_o \frac{\partial I}{\partial t} \\ \frac{\partial I}{\partial z} &= -C_o \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} \end{aligned} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{1}{L_o C_o} \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial z^2} = \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial t^2} \quad \text{Wave equation}$$

The above wave equation has a solution of the form $V(z, t) = V(0, t \pm \frac{z}{v})$, which represent a wave travelling in forward direction (z direction) and a wave travelling in backward direction (-z direction), without attenuation ($R = 0$) and distortion ($G = 0$).

$$v^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial z^2} = \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial t^2} \quad \text{Wave equation. Comparing, we get} \quad v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_o C_o}} = c.$$

Transmission Line Equations with Loss

Two wave components with amplitudes

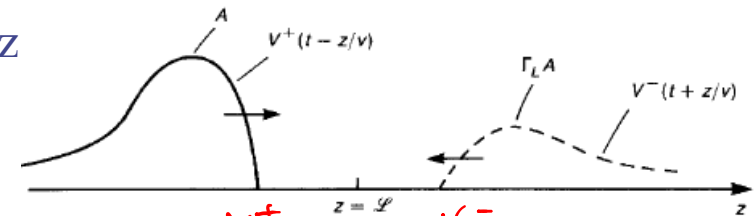
V^+ and V^- traveling in the direction of $+z$ and $-z$

$$V = V^+ e^{-\gamma z} + V^- e^{+\gamma z}$$

forward backward

$$I = \frac{1}{Z_0} (V^+ e^{-\gamma z} - V^- e^{+\gamma z}) = I^+ + I^-$$

I^+ I^-



$$Z_0 = \frac{V^+}{I^+} = - \frac{V^-}{I^-}$$

Where propagation constant and characteristic impedance are

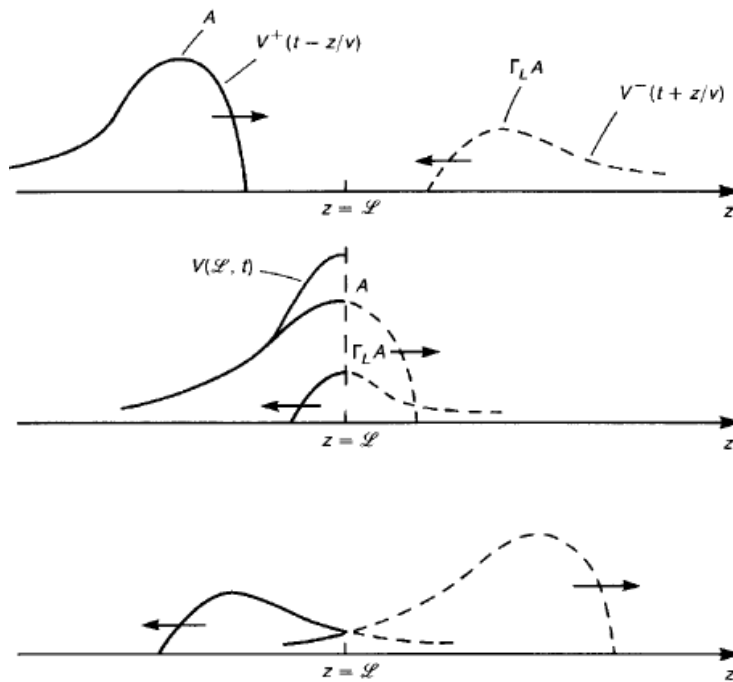
$$\gamma = \sqrt{(R_0 + j\omega L_0)(G_0 + j\omega C_0)} = \alpha + j\beta$$

← phase.

$$Z_0 = \frac{V^+}{I^+} = \frac{V^-}{I^-} = \sqrt{\frac{R_0 + j\omega L_0}{G_0 + j\omega C_0}}$$

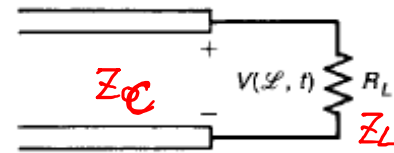
↑ attenuation

Reflection



Reflection of waves at a termination

When?



Mismatched lines
i.e., $R_L \neq Z_c$

$$\Gamma_L = \frac{Z_L - Z_c}{Z_L + Z_c}$$

$$V^- = \Gamma_L V^+$$

Major aspect of degrading signal integrity!

3.4 The per-unit-length Parameters R, L, G, C

Homogeneous structure

TEM wave structure is like the DC (static) field structure

$$lc = \mu\epsilon$$

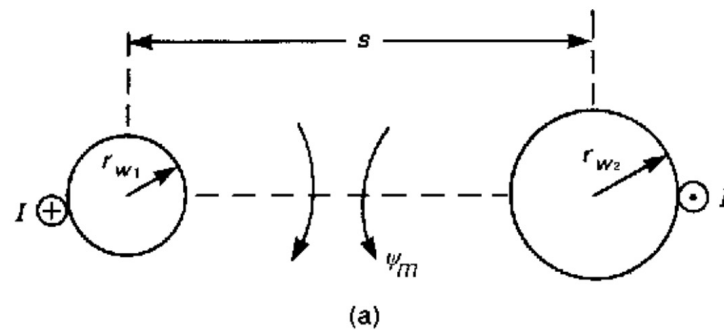
$$lg = \mu\sigma$$

homogeneous surrounding medium

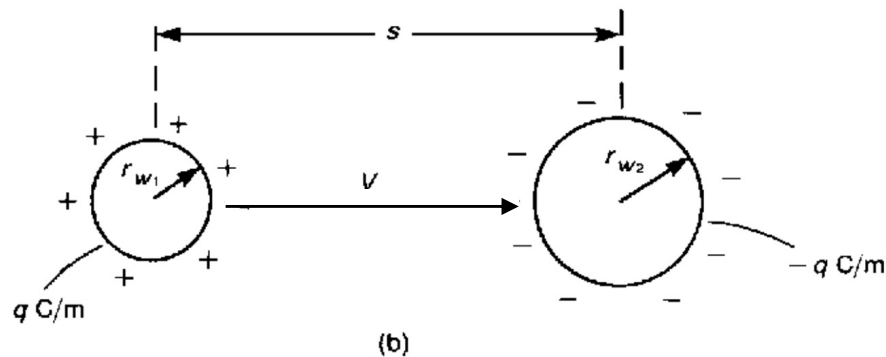
So, if you can derive how to get the l , g and c can be obtained by the above two relations.



Analysis approach (Wires in air)



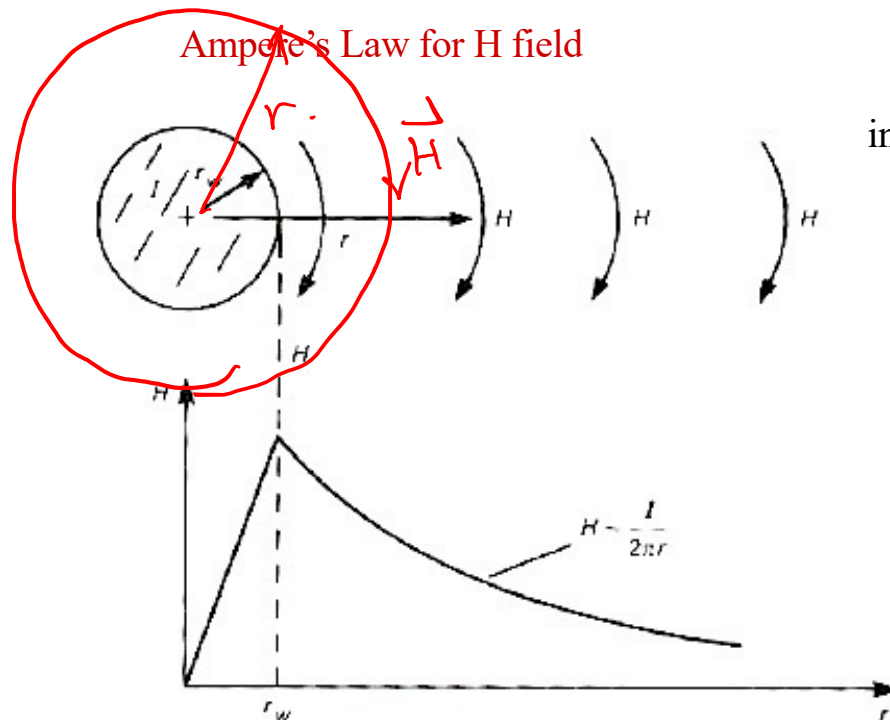
$$L = ? \text{ (by } L = \Psi/I \text{)}$$



$$C = ? \text{ (by } C = Q/V \text{)}$$

Determination of the per-unit-length parameters of a two-wire line
 (a) inductance; (b) capacitance

3.4.1 The per-unit-length Parameters (l)



The magnetic field about a current-carrying wire.

$$\oint_c H \cdot dl = \int_s J \cdot ds + \frac{d}{dt} \int_s D \cdot ds = I_c + I_d$$

in the transverse plane,

$$\oint_{c_{xy}} H_T \cdot dl = \int_{S_{xy}} J_z \cdot ds + \frac{d}{dt} \int_{S_{xy}} D_z \cdot ds$$

Conduction current I

$$I = \int_s J \cdot ds$$

Displacement current I_d

$$I_d = \frac{d}{dt} \int_s D_z \cdot ds = 0$$



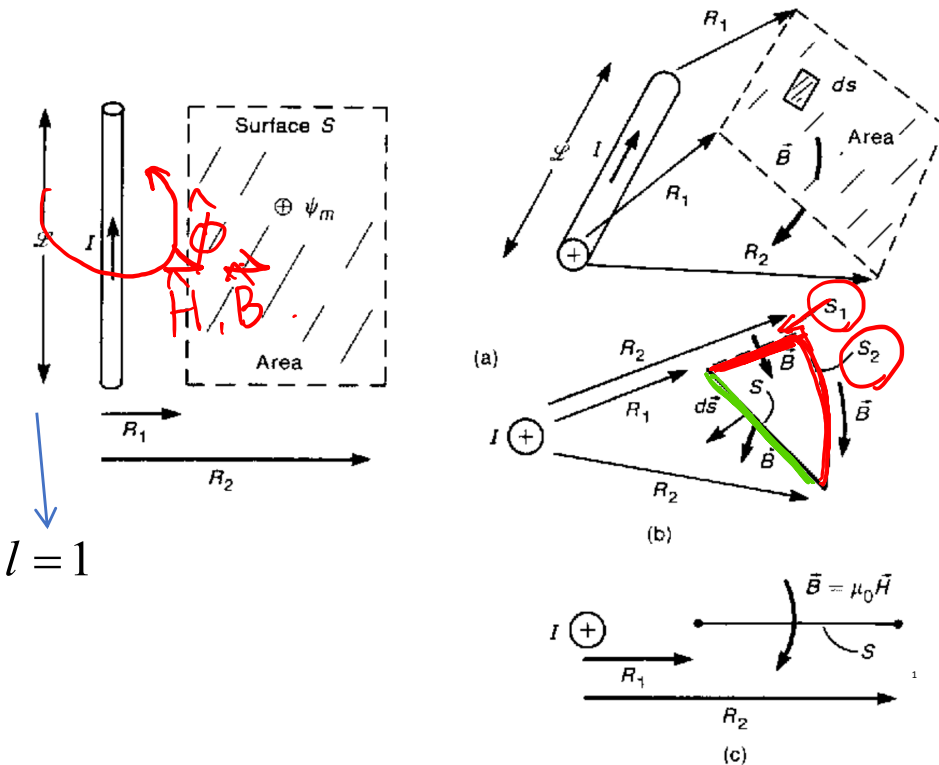
$$H_T(r) = \frac{I}{\oint_c dl} = \frac{I}{2\pi r} \quad \text{A/m.}$$

$$B_T = \mu_0 H_T = \frac{I \mu_0}{2\pi r} \quad \text{T.}$$

3.4.1 The per-unit-length Parameters (l)

$$\oint_S \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{S} = 0$$

[T], [Wb/m²]



$$\Psi_m = \int_S \vec{B}_T \cdot d\vec{S}$$

$$= \int_{S_1} \vec{B}_T \cdot d\vec{S} + \int_{S_2} \vec{B}_T \cdot d\vec{S} + \int_{S_{end}} \vec{B}_T \cdot d\vec{S}$$

0 0

Gauss's Law for H field

$$= \int_{r=R_1}^{R_2} \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r} dr \times [1 \text{ m}] \text{ length } l = 1 \text{ m.}$$

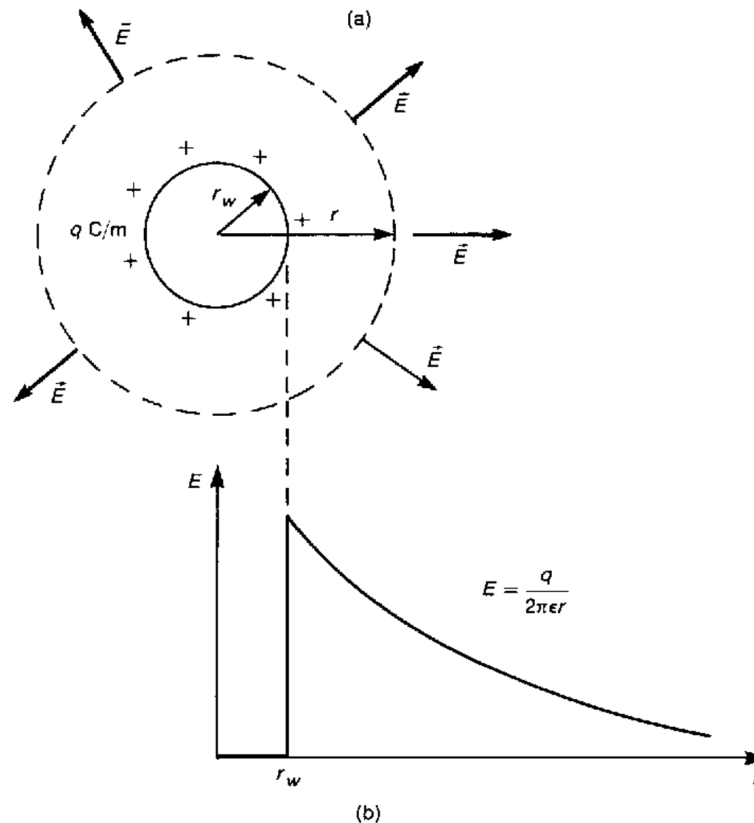
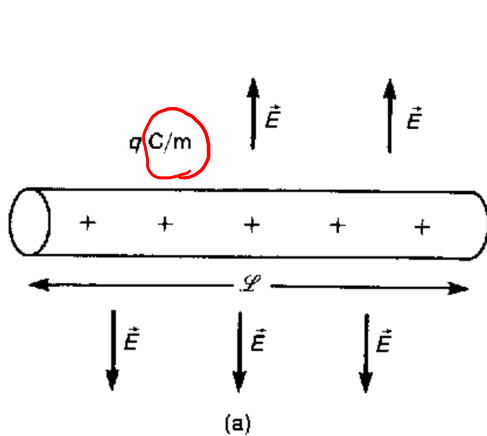
$$= \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) \quad (\text{in [Wb]})$$

$$l = \frac{\Psi_m}{I} = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) \quad \text{Per unit length}$$

Illustration of a basic subproblem of determine magnetic flux of a current through a surface: (a) dimension of the problem; (b) use of Gauss' law; (c) an equivalent but simpler problem

3.4.2 The per-unit-length Parameters (c):

$$C = \frac{Q}{V}$$



The electric field about a charge-carrying wire

1) from Gauss's law

Gauss's Law for E field

$$\oint_S \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{s} = \iiint_V \rho_v dv$$

$$\oint_s \epsilon_0 \vec{E}_T \cdot d\vec{s} = Q_{total}$$

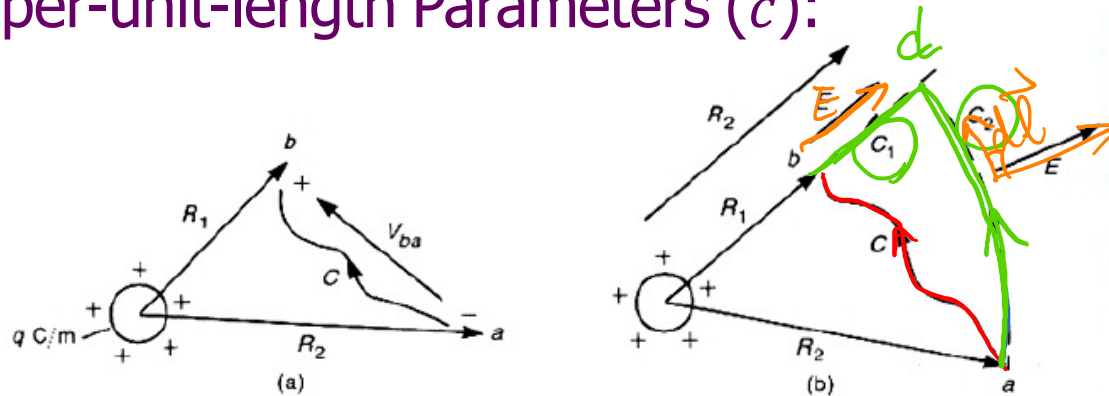
$$\therefore \vec{E}_T = \frac{q \times 1m}{\epsilon_0 \oint_s ds} = \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = 0$$

curl free

Electrostatic

3.4.2 The per-unit-length Parameters (c):



Determining the voltage between two points: (a) dimensions of the problem; (b) an equivalent but simpler problem

$$\begin{aligned}
 V &= -\int_C \vec{E}_T \cdot d\vec{l} \\
 &= -\int_{C_1} \vec{E}_T \cdot d\vec{l} - \underbrace{\int_{C_2} \vec{E}_T \cdot d\vec{l}}_0 \\
 &= -\int_{r=R_2}^{R_1} \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} dr \\
 &= \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) \quad (\text{in V})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$c = \frac{q \lambda m}{V} = \frac{2\pi\epsilon_0}{\ln\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right)}$$

$$lC = \mu_0 \epsilon_0$$

Example: Determine the L.C.G. of the two-wire line.

(note: homogeneous medium)

Inductance:

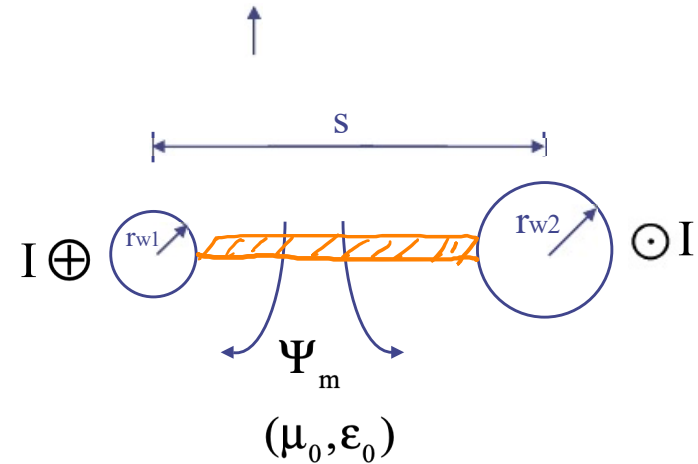
$$l = \frac{\Psi_m}{I}$$

Where $\frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi_m &= \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{s-r_{w2}}{r_{w1}}\right) + \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{s-r_{w1}}{r_{w2}}\right) \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{(s-r_{w2})(s-r_{w1})}{r_{w1}r_{w2}}\right)\end{aligned}$$

assume $s \gg r_{w1}, r_{w2}$

$$\Rightarrow l = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{s^2}{r_{w1}r_{w2}}\right)$$



$$\psi_m = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) \quad (R_2 > R_1) \text{ for single wire}$$

A special case, both wires have same radii

$$\begin{aligned}l &= \frac{\mu_0}{\pi} \ln\left(\frac{s}{r_w}\right), \quad r_{w1} = r_{w2} = r_w \\ &= 0.4 \ln\left(\frac{s}{r_w}\right) \quad (\text{in } \mu\text{H/m}) \\ &= 10.16 \ln\left(\frac{s}{r_w}\right) \quad (\text{in nH/in.})\end{aligned}$$

Capacitance:

Method 1) $lc = \epsilon\mu$ $l = \frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{s^2}{r_{w1}r_{w2}}\right)$ ($s \gg r_w$)

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{2\pi\epsilon_0}{\ln\left(\frac{s^2}{r_{w1}r_{w2}}\right)} \quad (\text{in F/m})$$

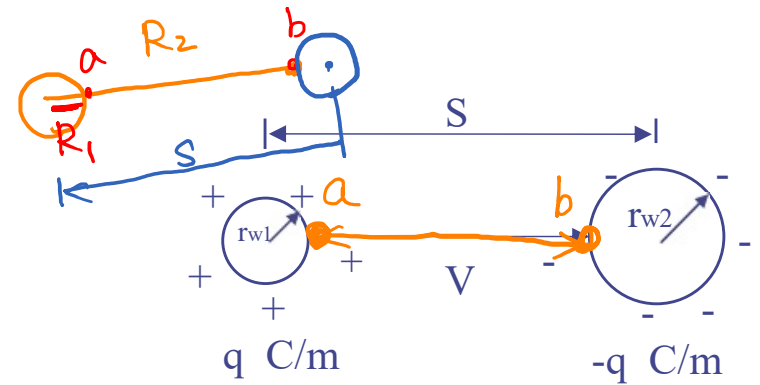
Method 2) $V = \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{s-r_{w2}}{r_{w1}}\right) + \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{s-r_{w1}}{r_{w2}}\right)$

$$= \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{(s-r_{w2})(s-r_{w1})}{r_{w1}r_{w2}}\right)$$

$$\cong \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{s^2}{r_{w1}r_{w2}}\right) \quad \text{if } s \gg r_{w1}, r_{w2}$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{q}{V} = \frac{2\pi\epsilon_0}{\ln\left(\frac{s^2}{r_{w1}r_{w2}}\right)} \quad (\text{in F/m})$$

← the same with 1st method



$$V = \frac{q}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \ln\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) \quad (R_2 > R_1)$$

for single wire

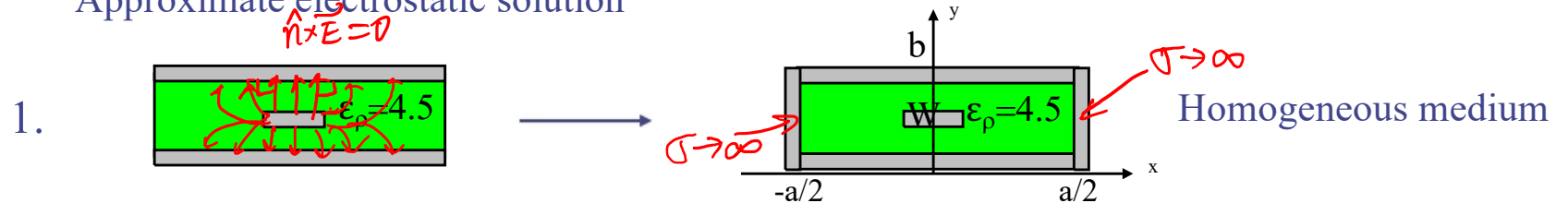
A special case, both wires have same radii

$$c = \frac{\pi\epsilon_0}{\ln\left(\frac{s}{r_w}\right)}, \quad r_{w1} = r_{w2} = r_w$$

$Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{l}{c}}$ $V_p = \frac{1}{\sqrt{lc}}$ $T_d = \frac{1m}{V_p} = \sqrt{lc}$
per unit length

3.5 Analysis approach for Z_0 and T_d (Stripline)

Approximate electrostatic solution



2. The fields in TEM mode must satisfy Laplace equation

$$\nabla^2 \Phi_t(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2 \phi_x}{dx^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi_y}{dy^2} + \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 \phi_z}{dz^2}} = 0$$

where Φ is the electric potential

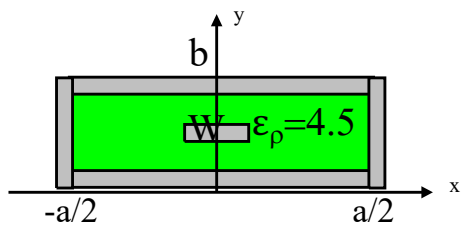
The boundary conditions are

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(x, y) &= 0 \quad \text{at } x = \pm \frac{a}{2} \\ \Phi(x, y) &= 0 \quad \text{at } y = 0, b \end{aligned}$$

$$\sinh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$$

Analysis approach for Z_0 and T_d

3. Since the center conductor will contain the surface charge, so



$$\Phi(x, y) = \begin{cases} \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ \text{odd}}}^{\infty} A_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{a} \sinh \frac{n\pi y}{a} & \text{for } 0 \leq y \leq b/2 \text{ (bottom half)} \\ \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ \text{odd}}}^{\infty} B_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{a} \sinh \frac{n\pi}{a} (b - y) & \text{for } b/2 \leq y \leq b \text{ (top half)} \end{cases}$$

Why?

4. The unknowns A_n and B_n can be solved by two known conditions:

The potential at $y = b/2$ must be continuous

The surface charge distribution for the strip:

$$\rho_s = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } |x| \leq W/2 \\ 0 & \text{for } |x| \geq W/2 \end{cases}$$

Analysis approach for Z_0 and T_d

$$5. \begin{cases} V = - \int_0^b E_y(x=0, y) dy = - \int_0^b -\partial \Phi(x, y) / \partial y (x=0, y) dy \\ Q = \int_{-w/2}^{w/2} \rho_s(x) dx = W(C / m) \end{cases}$$

$$6. C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{W}{\sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ \text{odd}}}^{\infty} \frac{2a \sin(n\pi W / 2a) \sinh(n\pi b / 2a)}{(n\pi)^2 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r \cosh(n\pi b / 2a)}}$$

$$Z_0 = \frac{1}{v_p C} = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}}{cC}$$

Characteristic
impedance

Answers!!

7.

$$T_d = \frac{1}{v_p} = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}}{c}$$

Time delay

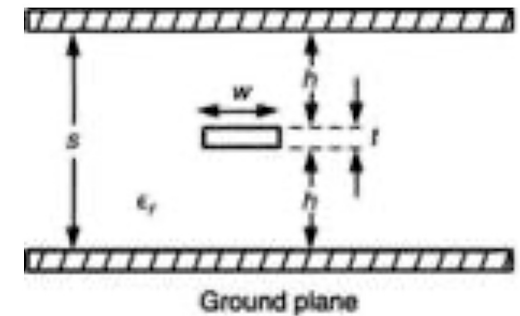
Approximate Solution for Z_0 and T_d

Assume a zero thickness strip, $t = 0$

$$Z_c = \frac{30\pi}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \frac{1}{\left[\frac{w_e}{s} + 0.441\right]}$$

Where the effective width of the center conductor is

$$\frac{w_e}{s} = \begin{cases} \frac{w}{s} & \frac{w}{s} \geq 0.35 \\ \frac{w}{s} - \left(0.35 - \frac{w}{s}\right)^2 & \frac{w}{s} \leq 0.35 \end{cases}$$



Stripline

$$Z_o = \frac{1}{V_p C} = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}}{c C}$$

$$C = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}}{c Z_o}$$

Per-unit-length
capacitor

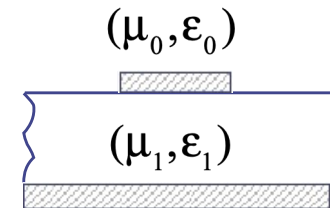
$$T_d = \frac{1}{v_p} = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}}{c}$$

Time delay

c : speed of light

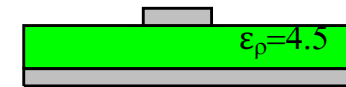


d. How to determine L,C for microstrip-line.



- 1) This is inhomogeneous medium.
- 2) Numerical method should be used to solve the capacitance C of this structure, such as Finite element, Finite Difference...
- 3) But L can be obtained by

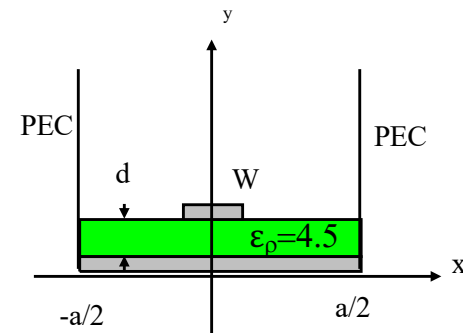
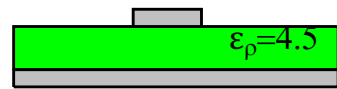
$$LC = \mu\epsilon_e \quad \Rightarrow \quad L = \frac{\mu\epsilon_e}{C}$$



where ϵ_e is effective permittivity of medium 0 and medium 1.

Analysis approach for Z_0 and T_d (Microstrip Line)

1.



2.

The fields in Quasi-TEM mode must satisfy Laplace equation

$$\nabla_t^2 \Phi(x, y) = 0$$

where Φ is the electric potential

The boundary conditions are

$$\Phi(x, y) = 0 \quad \text{at } x = \pm a / 2$$

$$\Phi(x, y) = 0 \quad \text{at } y = 0, \infty$$

Analysis approach for Z_0 and T_d (Microstrip Line)

3. Since the center conductor will contain the surface charge, so

$$\Phi(x, y) = \begin{cases} \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ \text{odd}}}^{\infty} A_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{a} \sinh \frac{n\pi y}{a} & \text{for } 0 \leq y \leq d \quad (\text{in dielectric}) \\ \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ \text{odd}}}^{\infty} B_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{a} e^{-n\pi y/a} & \text{for } d \leq y \leq \infty \quad (\text{in air}) \end{cases}$$

4. The unknowns A_n and B_n can be solved by two known conditions and the orthogonality of $\cos$ function :

The potential at $y = d$ must continuous

The surface charge distribution for the strip: $\rho_s = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } |x| \leq W/2 \\ 0 & \text{for } |x| \geq W/2 \end{cases}$

Analysis approach for Z_0 and T_d (Microstrip Line)

$$5. \quad \begin{cases} V = -\int_0^{b/2} E_y(x=0, y) dy = -\int_0^{b/2} -\partial\Phi(x, y) / \partial y(x=0, y) dy = \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ \text{odd}}}^{\infty} A_n \sinh \frac{n\pi d}{a} \\ Q = \int_{-w/2}^{w/2} \rho_s(x) dx = W(C / m) \end{cases}$$

6.

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{W}{\sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ \text{odd}}}^{\infty} \frac{4a \sin(n\pi W / 2a) \sinh(n\pi d / 2a)}{(n\pi)^2 W \epsilon_0 [\sinh(n\pi d / a) + \epsilon_r \cosh(n\pi d / a)]}}$$

Analysis approach for Z_0 and T_d (Microstrip Line)

7.

To find the effective dielectric constant ϵ_e , we consider two cases of capacitance

1. C = capacitance per unit length of the microstrip line with the dielectric substrate $\epsilon_r \neq 1$
2. C_0 = capacitance per unit length of the microstrip line with air, $\epsilon_r = 1$

$$\epsilon_e = \frac{C}{C_0}$$

8.

Characteristic
impedance

$$Z_0 = \frac{1}{v_p C} = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_e}}{cC}$$

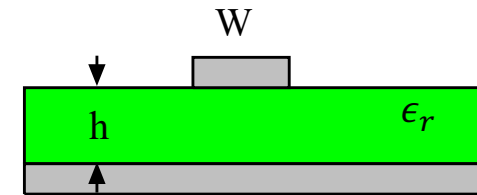
Time delay

$$T_d = \frac{1}{v_p} = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_e}}{c}$$

Approximate approach for Z_0 and T_d (Microstrip Line)

The characteristic impedance is given as*

$$Z_C = \begin{cases} \frac{60}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r'}} \ln \left[\frac{8h}{w} + \frac{w}{4h} \right] & \frac{w}{h} \leq 1 \\ \frac{120\pi}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r'}} \left[\frac{w}{h} + 1.393 + 0.667 \ln \left(\frac{w}{h} + 1.444 \right) \right]^{-1} & \frac{w}{h} \geq 1 \end{cases}$$



The effective relative permittivity is

$$\epsilon_r' = \frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 10h/w}}$$

$h/w \ll 1$. $\epsilon_r' = \frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{2} = \epsilon_r$. $\rightarrow$ parallel plate.
 $h/w \gg 1$. $\epsilon_r' = \frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2}$.

A simpler (less accurate) approximation

$$\epsilon_r' \approx \begin{cases} \epsilon_r & h \ll w \\ \frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2} & h \gg w \end{cases}$$

$$Z_c = \frac{87}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r + 1.41}} \ln \left(\frac{5.98h}{0.8w + t} \right)$$

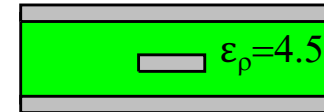
Then, Velocity of propagation $v = c/\sqrt{\epsilon_r'}$

per-unit-length parameters $l = \frac{Z_c}{v}$, $c = \frac{1}{vZ_c}$

Time delay per unit length $T_d = \frac{1}{v} = \sqrt{\epsilon_r'}/c$

*Cohn, Problems in strip TL, 1955

Tables for Z_0 and T_d (Stripline)



$w \downarrow \rightarrow$

$Z_0(\Omega)$	20	28	40	50	75	90	100
$\epsilon_{\text{eff}} = \epsilon_r$	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
L (nH/mm)	0.141	0.198	0.282	0.353	0.53	0.636	0.707
C (pF/mm)	0.354	0.252	0.171	0.141	0.094	0.078	0.071
T_d (ps/mm)	7.09	7.09	7.09	7.09	7.09	7.09	7.09

$$Z_c = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} \uparrow \uparrow$$

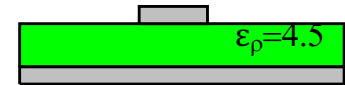
$L \uparrow \uparrow$

$C \downarrow \downarrow$

const. $\frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}}{c} =$

Fr4 : dielectric constant = 4.5
Frequency: 1GHz

Tables for Z_0 and T_d (Microstrip Line)



$Z_0(\Omega)$	20	28	40	50	75	90	100
ϵ_{eff}	3.8	3.68	3.51	3.39	3.21	3.13	3.09
L (nH/mm)	0.119	0.183	0.246	0.320	0.468	0.538	0.591
C (pF/mm)	0.299	0.233	0.154	0.128	0.083	0.067	0.059
T_d (ps/mm)	6.54	6.41	6.25	6.17	5.99	5.92	5.88

$$Z_0 \uparrow \uparrow = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

$$\alpha C = \kappa \epsilon_{\text{eff}}$$

$$L \uparrow \uparrow \quad \text{width} \downarrow \text{ or } h \uparrow \uparrow$$

$$C \downarrow \downarrow$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_{\text{eff}}}}{c}$$

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Analysis approach for Z_o and T_d (EDA/Simulation Tool)

1. Cadence AWR Microwave Office

- Free academic access available to students
- RF/microwave circuit, transmission-line, and layout design

2. Ansys Electronics Desktop (HFSS)

- Free Student version; EWS access may also be available
- 3D full-wave electromagnetic field solver

3. SIMULIA CST Studio Suite

- Free Learning Edition available to students
- 3D electromagnetic simulation with multiple solver types

4. Other commercial EDA / EM simulation tools



Concept Test for Planar Transmission Lines

- Poll: Please compare their Z_0 and T_d

(a)

2w $\epsilon_p=4.5$

(b)

w $\epsilon_p=4.5$

Line 1

Line 2

Line 3

C_a $C_b \downarrow < C_a$

$Z_a < Z_b$

$\epsilon_{eff,a} > \epsilon_{eff,b}$

$T_{d,a} > T_{d,b}$

$\epsilon_{eff,a} < \epsilon_{eff,b}$

$T_{d,a} < T_{d,b}$

$C_a < C_b$ $C_{0,a} < C_{0,b}$

$Z_{0a} > Z_{0,b}$

$\epsilon_{eff,a} > \epsilon_{eff,b}$

$T_{d,a} > T_{d,b}$

$C_a > C_b$ C_0 same

$Z_{0a} < Z_{0,b}$

$$C = \epsilon \frac{A}{d}$$

$$Z_0 = \frac{1}{v_p C} = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_e}}{c C} = \frac{1}{c \sqrt{C C_0}}$$

$$T_d = \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_e}}{c}$$

$\epsilon_{eff} = \frac{C}{C_0}$

c : speed of light
 C : Capacitance